

In the claims:

1. (currently amended) A sugar-free soft chew tablet composition comprising: a reheatable composition that includes:

_____ a) a mixture of ~~at least~~ two polyols present in an amount from about 15% to about 80%, by weight, the said polyols being selected from the group consisting of hydrogenated starch hydrolysates, maltitol, lactitol, and mixtures thereof;

_____ b) an emulsifier system present in an amount from about 1.0% to about 30%, by weight, wherein the emulsifier is selected from the group consisting of acetylated mono glycerides, glycerol esters, glycerol monostearate, polyglycerol esters, propylene glycol esters, sorbitan esters, polysorbate esters, sodium laurel sulfate, polyethylene glycols, sorbitol mono-, di- and tri-stearates and mixtures thereof;

_____ c) water in an amount up to about ~~from 0 to~~ 15% by weight; and

_____ d) an active agent in an amount from about 0.1% to about 70%, by weight, that is added to the reheatable composition either upon cooling or after the composition has been cooled and later reheated to form the soft chew tablet composition; and

~~e) optional components comprising colors, flavors and binders.~~

2. (canceled)

3. (currently amended) The sugar-free composition according to claim 1, wherein the said emulsifier system contains at least one emulsifier and at least one fat.

4. (currently amended) The sugar-free composition according to claim 3 wherein ~~where in~~ the said emulsifier is present in an amount from about 0.5% to about 20.0%, by weight, of the final composition and the said fat is present in an amount from about 1.0% to about 10.0%, by weight of the final composition.

5. (currently amended) The sugar-free composition according to claim 3, wherein the said fat component is selected from the group consisting of chocolate, cocoa butter, palm oil,

canola oil, com oil, sunflower oil, coconut oil, partially hydrogenated soybean oil, partially hydrogenated palm oil, partially hydrogenated coconut oil, partially hydrogenated canola oil, partially hydrogenated cottonseed oil, recinolate, and mixtures thereof.

6. (canceled)

7. (currently amended) The sugar-free composition according to claim 1, wherein the ~~said~~ active agent is selected from the group consisting of dietary fiber, stannol esters, therapeutically active substances, vitamins, minerals, antacids, cough and cold medications, analgesics, cardiovascular medications, anti-smoking, psycho-therapeutics, antibiotics, and mixtures thereof.

8. (currently amended) The sugar-free composition according to claim 1, further comprising a viscosity improvement agent present in an amount from about 0.1% to about 10%, by weight of the final composition.

9. (currently amended) The sugar-free composition according to claim 8, wherein the ~~said~~ viscosity improvement agent is selected from the group consisting of locust bean gum, guar gum, hydrolyzed guar gum, carrageenan, starches, gum arabic, gelatin, agar, alginate, pectin and mixtures thereof.

10. (original) The sugar-free composition according to claim 1, further comprising a bioadhesive agent.

11. (currently amended) The sugar-free composition according to claim 10, wherein the ~~said~~ bioadhesive agent is selected from the group consisting of hydroxypropylmethyl cellulose, ethyl cellulose, acrylic esters, polyvinyl acetates, alcohols and gums.

12. (currently amended) The sugar-free composition according to claim 1, wherein the said mixture of ~~at least~~ two polyols is present in an amount of about 20% to about 50%, by weight.

13. (currently amended) The sugar-free composition according to claim 1, wherein the said active agent is present in an amount of about 1.0% to about 50%, by weight.

14. (currently amended) The sugar-free composition according to claim 1, wherein the said active agent is ~~at least one~~ fiber.

15. (currently amended) The sugar-free composition according to claim 14, wherein the said fiber is selected from the group consisting of noncellulosic polysaccharides, pectin, gums, algal polysaccharides, specialty maltodextrins, cellulose, hemicellulose, fructo-oligo saccharides, psyllium, lignin, mucilages and mixtures thereof.